

Naval Station Ingleside

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Navy Chief Selectees make donations for Hurricane Katrina Relief efforts

Friday, September 2, beginning at 6:30 a.m., the approximately 58 Chief Petty Officer (CPO) Selectees from Naval Station Ingleside will make a large donation in the form of \$5,000 worth of supplies to the Hurricane Katrina Relief Drive being held at KIII studios in conjunction with the Salvation Army.

The CPO Selectees had raised funds for the CPO Selectee season. But, they decided to forego the items they originally intended to purchase in order to support hurricane relief efforts. The "Mine Warfare Center of Excellence" CPO Selectees are using two 5-ton trucks to distribute items being collected for relief efforts.

All of the CPO Selectees are stationed at various commands aboard Naval Station Ingleside. They will be pinned as Chief Petty Officers during a traditional ceremony on Sept. 16. Attaining the rank of Chief Petty Officer is a significant accomplishment in the U.S. Navy. The Chief Petty Officer is often referred to as the "backbone of the Navy," because of the vast experience and high caliber of the Sailors who comprise this cadre of seasoned professionals.